



“Meaning or Importance”

- Introductory note
- It reflects the minds of the framers
- Soul
- It highlights important principles
- It states the objectives and the goals of the state

“Preamble”

WE THE PEOPLE OF INDIA, having solemnly resolved to constitute India into a **SOVEREIGN, SOCIALIST, SECULAR, DEMOCRATIC, REPUBLIC**

AND to secure to all its citizens: **JUSTICE, LIBERTY, EQUALITY** and to promote among them all.

Words	Meaning
We the people of India	It declares the ultimate sovereignty of the people
Sovereign	it is free from external control
Secular	State does not represent any one religion- 42nd Amendment
Democratic	The people of India elect their governments at all levels- Union, State and local, by the system of adult suffrage
Republic	Head of the state will be elected by the people indirectly
Socialist	Welfare State-Establishment of a “Socialistic pattern of society”-More equitable distribution of income and wealth- 42nd Amendment
Justice	Political justice- Economic Justice, Social Justice
Liberty	Every citizen has freedom of thought, belief, expression, faith and worship. It is guaranteed in Articles 19-22.
Equality	No discrimination on the ground of Sex, religion, place of birth, caste
Fraternity	Spirit of brotherhood